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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 25, 1884. 1423

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.
- 3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year.
- 4.—Deposits may be made on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositor's own account.
- 5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.
- 6.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 7.—Deposits may be forwarded from the Post by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any value.
- 8.—Interest at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 10.—Covers containing Pass-Books, Receipted Letters containing Receipts or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 11.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.
- 12.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 715

With reference to the above, BUSI-
NESS will be commenced on the
1st May, 1884.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 719

Bank.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884,
under the Companies Act 1862, to 1883.)

LONDON BANKERS:
UNION BANK OF LONDON, Ltd.
BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-
POSITS.
At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.
At 6 months' notice 4 1/2 per Annum.
At 12 months' notice 5 1/2 per Annum.
Current Accounts kept on Terms which
may be loaned on application.
J. MELVILLE MATSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1556

Prospectus.

PROSPECTUS OF THE CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERN- MENT SILVER LOAN, 1884.

AUTHORISED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
Dated 4th December, 1883.

For Dollars 2,780,400,28 equivalent of
Taels 2,000,000 at 7.17, in Bonds of \$800
each Hongkong Currency, bearing interest
at 5 per cent. per annum.

Principal and Interest payable in Hong-
kong.
The Loan is divided into Two Portions
for \$1,390,700.14 (1 Million Taels) each,
and marked respectively A & B.
The Bonds of Loan A are redeemable at
par within 3 years (1887) by three yearly
instalments, the first of which will be pay-
able on the 15th March, 1885.

The Bonds of Loan B are redeemable at
par within 6 years (1890) by three yearly
instalments, the first of which will be pay-
able on the 30th June 1885.

The Bonds will bear interest at the rate
of 5 per cent. per annum payable yearly,
according to the English Calendar, as per
annexed Schedule, at the Office of the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING COR-
PORATION, at the Current Rate of Exchange
for Demand Bills on Hongkong. The first
Payment of interest on Loan A will be on
15th March, 1885, and on Loan B on 30th
June, 1885.

The Drawings will take place in Hong-
kong one month previous to the dates of
payment of the Bonds as given in the
Schedule, and the Bonds so drawn will
be paid off at par on the respective dates
specified, at the Office of the Hongkong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation, after
which date interest on the Bonds so
drawn will cease.

Bonds to bearer will be issued on 25th
October, 1884, against allotment letter and
on payment of the balance due on same
from which date the public will receive
interest upon the Bonds of both Loans.

SCHEDULE. TABLE OF DRAWINGS AND PAYMENT OF INTEREST.

Date of pay- ment of drawn bonds and interest.	Amount of each drawing.	Amount of interest.
1885—15th Mar.	\$418,410.04	\$111,576.01
1886—15th "	418,410.05	78,103.20
1887—15th "	418,410.05	30,611.60
	\$1,390,700.14	\$220,290.81
1888—30th June	\$111,576.01	
1889—30th "	111,576.01	
1890—30th "	111,576.01	
1891—30th "	\$418,410.05	\$111,576.01
1892—30th "	418,410.05	78,103.20
1893—30th "	418,410.05	30,611.60
	\$1,390,700.14	\$552,361.84

With reference to the foregoing, sealed
tenders are invited for the above Loan at
the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANG-
HAI BANKING CORPORATION at Hongkong,
Shanghai, and Yokohama, until noon
on SATURDAY, 18th October, 1884, when
the tenders will be opened, afterwards no
tender will be entertained. Applicants
have the option of taking either Loan A or
Loan B and tenders should distinctly state
which one is desired.

A deposit of ten per centum upon the
amount tendered must accompany each ap-
plication, and deposit to be made by Cheque
on a Bank in Hongkong. The balance of
the amount allotted to be paid on or before
the 25th October, 1884.

Default in payment of any instalment at
the due date will render all previous pay-
ments liable to forfeiture.
If no allotment is made the deposit will
be returned in full; and if only a portion
of the amount applied for is allotted, the
balance of the deposit will be applied
towards the payment of the final instal-
ment.

All tenders to bear upon the cover
"Tender for Chinese Imperial Silver Loan
of 1884."

The Corporation does not bind itself to
accept any Tender below par.

This prospectus and form of tender can
be obtained on application at the Bank.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
Agents for the Loan,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, September 11, 1884. 1582

DRY DOCK AND PATENT SLIP, NAGASAKI.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
AGENTS FOR THE IMPERIAL GOVERN-
MENT DOCK AND PATENT
SLIP, at Nagasaki, and are prepared to
supply tenders for the DOCKING, CHAINING,
PAINTING, &c., of VESSELS. The VESSELS
in connection with the Dockyard are
under the direction of experienced Ex-
pert officers and possess all the necessary ap-
paratus for REPAIRS to SHIPS and MACHINERY.
HOLME, RINGER & Co.
Nagasaki, March, 1884. 646

SAILOER'S HOME.

ANY Out-of-Ordering, Boats, or
Papers will be cheerfully received
at the Sailors' Home, West Point.
Hongkong, July 25, 1873.

For Sale.

Lane, Crawford & Co.

Big to announce that they have now OPENED THEIR
NEW FURNISHING & HOUSEHOLD DRAPERY
DEPARTMENTS.

WITH
A very large Stock of entirely
NEW GOODS,
SPECIALLY SELECTED FOR THE PRESENT SEASON.

CONSISTING OF:

BRUSSELS CARPETS, Best Five-Prime
QUALITY OF PURE WOOLS, FAST
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BRUSSELS' TWO QUALITY and TAPES-
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KENSINGTON CARPETS from \$17 each.
These are woven in one piece, bordered,
fringed and reversible, they are most
artistic and very suitable for Reception
and Bed Rooms.

A very large Assortment of AXMINSTER,
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PETS in all the latest designs.

The new English and French TAPES-
TRIES for CURTAINS and COVERING
FURNITURE. THE MEXICAN TA-
PESTRIES from \$1 per yard. A large
stock of newest REPS and DAMASKS.

KIDDER-DOWN QUILTS and PILLOWS
in great variety.

ORETONNES, a carefully selected Stock of
GORELL TAPES, CHATEL ORIENTAL,
and REVERSIBLE ORIENTAL in art de-
signs.

BEDDING of all descriptions, carefully
manufactured and of guaranteed qual-
ity.

BRASS and IRON BEDSTRADES, and
CHILDREN'S COTS in great variety.

The Patent WOVEN WIRE and the EX-
CELSEUR SPRING MATTRESSES in
all sizes.

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Stock of the best TABLE DAMASK,
LINEN and COTTON SHEETINGS,
QUILTS, COUNTERPANES, BLAN-
KETS, &c., at low prices.

ESTIMATES given for FURNISHING
throughout, or RECOVERING FUR-
NITURE.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1555

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

WILL SELL BY

Public Auction,

ON

TUESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY,

THE BALANCE OF THEIR

SHOW-ROOM STOCK,

COMPRISING:

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S BOOTS AND SHOES

in Lots to suit the Purchasers.

FLOWERS AND UNTRIMMED HATS.

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PIANOS,

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Specialty manufactured for this climate.

COMPLETE IRON FRAME AND TUNING PLATE.

Unrivalled for Brilliance and Sweetness of Tone.

FINEST TOUCH.

Price for Cash, from \$230 to \$250.

On Hire, per month, from \$15 to \$20.

Special attention is called to the fact that after having
hired a Piano for 14 months, it will become without
further payment the property of the hirer.

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Apply to
Prof. A. VITA,
2, Alexandra Terrace.
Hongkong, July 14, 1884. 1159

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Double width Black and Navy Blue SERGES
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Black CHAIRES for Morning
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Coloured COMBINATION Costumes—Cash-
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NOLD, ANTOINE, GUINIER, VALENTIN,
EUGENIE, REAL TROUSERS, and
MILITARY LACOS.

Black and Green Dress FROCKING.
Hongkong, September 30, 1884. 1582

THE REPORT OF THE TRIAL OF
LOAN at Canton, that appeared in
the China Mail has been printed in FAN-
PHEE FORM, and is now on Sale.
Price, 50 Cents.
Hongkong, October 2, 1883.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF
MR. ALFRED THOMAS MANGER
in our Firm CANNOT on the 30th day of
June, 1884.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 23, 1884. 1617

Prospectus.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

(Incorporated under the Companies Acts
1862 to 1883, whereby the Liability of
the Shareholders is limited to the
amount of their Shares.)

CAPITAL \$2,000,000.

FIRST ISSUE OF 100,000 SHARES OF £10 EACH,
Of which 50,000 are Reserved for
Issue in India, China, Japan
and the Colonies.

PAYABLE
21 on Application; £1 on Allotment; and
the Balance of £8 at such times and in
such sums not exceeding £2, as
the Directors may determine,
and at intervals of not less
than one month.

(Interest at Five per cent. per annum will
be allowed upon all payments made
in advance of Calls.)

Directors:
CHRISTIAN ALLDENSEN, Esq.,
D. L. W. P. Director of the International
Bank of London, Limited.

LIONEL R. C. BOYLE, Esq.,
Of Messrs. Boyle, Campbell, Buxton & Co.,
30, Lombard Street, E.C.

W. W. GARGILL, Esq.,
Founder of the Oriental Bank Corporation.
R. F. HARRISON, Esq., C.S.I.,
Formerly President of the Bank of Bengal.

A. J. MACDONALD, Esq.,
Late of Sir Charles Forbes & Co., and
formerly President of the Bank of
Bombay.

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Oriental Club, Hanover Square, late
Governor of Leeward Islands.

GRANT HEATLY YOD-HEATLY, Esq.,
15, Carlton House Terrace,
London, S.W.

Bankers:
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON,
LIMITED.

THE BANK OF SCOTLAND
(Edinburgh, London & Branches).

Messrs. STEER, LAWSON & COURETON,
3, Drapery Gardens, E.C.

Messrs. HOLLAND, SON & COWARD,
Mining Lane, London.

Interim Secretary:
R. T. HARRISON, Esq., C.S.I.,
Temporary Offices: 40, Threadneedle
Street, E.C.

Form of Application for SHARES may
be obtained from the Offices of the
Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong.
All Payments on Application for SHARES
are to be made to the HONGKONG & SHANG-
HAI BANKING CORPORATION, who will grant
receipts for the same.

Applications for SHARES will be received
until the 15th September.

15th August, 1884. 1387

Intimations.

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's COLLECTING DAYS
WILL BE FOR:

DISTRICT No. 1.
That is from West Point to Harbour Mas-
ter's Office on Praya, and to Castle
Road on Upper Levels, THURSDAY,
with delivery on MONDAY.

DISTRICT No. 2.
From Harbour Master's Office, and Castle
Road to Murray Barracks, FRIDAY,
with delivery on TUESDAY.

DISTRICT No. 3.
From Murray Barracks to East Point,
SATURDAY, with delivery on WED-
NESDAY.

On Delivery Days fresh Collections will
be made.
Collectors will supply Books.

A. BAIN,
Manager.
Hongkong, October 1, 1884. 1660

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE HONAM will make a TRIP to
Macao and return on SUNDAY, the
5th October, leaving HONGKONG at 8 a.m.,
and Macao at 10 p.m. First-class Fare to
Macao and back \$2. No Second-class.
Chinese Servants 50 Cents each way.
Refreshments will be supplied on Board,
but No MEALS.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, September 20, 1884. 1645

HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS, WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the
Public of Hongkong and the Coast
Ports that he will RE-OPEN
THE HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS
on the 1st March.

The whole of the ROOMS have been
Newly Furnished throughout, and there
are ROOMS suitable for either MARIED
COUPLES or SINGLE PERSONS.

The TABLE will be supplied with the
BEST the market can provide.

The WINES and LIQUORS supplied,
both at the Bar and Table will be of the
VERY BEST BRANDS.

Gentlemen desirous of taking Meals,
such as TIPPING and DINNERS, can
have ALL REQUISITE information by
applying to
GEORGE STAINFIELD,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, February 23, 1884. 368

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1883.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-
pany are requested to furnish the
Undersigned with a List of their Con-
tributions for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber last, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION
of the PROFITS reserved for CONTRIBUTORS
may be arranged. Returns not rendered
prior to the Thirty-first day of October next,
will be adjusted by the Company, and no
Claims or Alterations will be subsequently
admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, August 15, 1884. 1373

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM- PANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1883.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested
to send in to this Office a List of their
Contributions for the year ending
31st December last, in Order that the
PROPORTION of PROFIT for that year
to be paid as BONUS to CONTRIBUTORS
may be arranged. Returns not sent in
before the 30th November next, will be
made up by the Company, and no subse-
quent Claims or Alterations will be allowed.
By Order of the Directors,
JAS. D. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 1, 1884. 1467

MEXICAN PACIFIC NAVIGATION COMPANY.

THE Company will Run STEAMERS
monthly from HONGKONG to the West
Coast of Mexico, via YOKOHAMA and
HONOLULU, commencing OCTOBER
with the Steamship *Albatross*.
The STEAMERS will proceed from HONG-
KONG to YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU; thence
to MANZANILLO (direct), and from MANZANILLO
to SAN BLAS and MANTANILLO.
Through Bills of Lading and Passage
Tickets granted to all America Ports.
For further Particulars as to Passage and
Freight, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, September 1, 1884. 1469

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION

ALL HOLDERS of NOTES of the
ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-
TION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby
requested to present them to the Liquidat-
ors of the Bank, when they will be given
in Exchange, a certificate of the value of
the Notes deposited.

Holders of Notes will be required to
Furnish to the Liquidators of the Bank,
a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of
Issue, Number and amount of each Note
produced.

Form of Schedule may be had on ap-
plication at the OFFICE of the ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

For the
LIQUIDATORS
OF THE
ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION,
J. MELVILLE MATSON,
H. HOWARD TAYLOR.

Hongkong, August 2, 1884. 1288

Shipping.

Steamers.

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY.
The Co's Steamship
Captn. LAMER, will be
despatched as above at
Daylight on FR

point of view, it is of vital importance that if any work of persons will perform the work of others, it will be done as speedily as possible to fill their places. For this reason the strike was absent from the very beginning. There was not the slightest chance of the boat people obtaining what it is to be assumed they wanted. Every steamer that comes into this harbour must be unloaded or loaded without delay. This much is an imperative necessity, and the Government cannot make exceptions of French vessels. If the boat people remain obstinate the only remedy appears to be to threaten them with the loss of their licenses. Such a threat and the necessity of their earning a living should bring them to their work. But if they continue to refuse work, the losses of merchants here will be so serious that steps will have to be taken to get other people from some other part of the East to work the cargo boats.

A cargo-boat company with Chinese employees would not be a remedy for an evil like the existing one. But if this state of hostilities is to be prolonged for an indefinite period, and the boat people are constantly kicking up their heels in this way, then the sooner we have a cargo-boat company, with Indian, Malay or Japanese coolies the better. The Government must not promptly. Probably if communications were exchanged with the "Viceroy of Canton," and that high official were asked to issue a sensible notification, some good would be done. Assuming that patriotism has anything to do with the difficulty, it is about the first time this quality has been discovered among the Chinese people. It is a new development. There was none of it in existence presumably about twenty years ago, in the days of the Chinese coolie corps. This corps not only worked for the enemies *pro tem*, of China, but actually entered the field against their countrymen. There did not seem to be much patriotism exhibited at Foochow the other day. It is pretty evident that mischief makers, rather than patriotic feelings, are at the bottom of this new departure of the boat people. They must be dealt with as were the butchers a few months ago. We had to suppress that strike for sanitary reasons; we have to suppress the present one for commercial reasons of the highest importance to the welfare of the Colony.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

FABRIC CANAL.—*Manila*, Sept. 1; *Glenfalloch*, Oct. 8.

The next *FRUITER* MAIL, per the M. M. steamer *Seaholm*, left Singapore on Friday, the 26th September, at 2 p.m., for Saigon and this port, and will be expected here on or about Friday, the 3rd October.

The S. S. *Guthrie* left Sydney for this port on the 23rd instant.

The S. S. *Wingate* left Singapore for this port on the 27th instant.

The S. S. *Prize* left Singapore for this port on the 27th September.

The next two direct steamers, with the ninth Government mail's opium and Indian mails, left Calcutta on the morning of the 17th September, for this port.

It is reported at Amoy that the French squadron left the neighbourhood of Matsau on Monday last and had sailed north.

We hear that the agency of the Eastern and Australian Steamship Company has, in accordance with instructions from Sydney, been transferred from Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co. to Messrs Russell & Co.

This body of a Chinese male adult was found by the Water-Police yesterday floating in the harbour. The corpse, which was in an advanced state of decomposition, was taken to the mortuary. Nothing is known as to how the deceased met with his death, but no marks of violence appear upon the body, which has not been identified.

The Band of the Buffs will play at the Public Gardens on Friday evening next, commencing at 9 p.m. (weather permitting).

The following is the programme:
March.....Audacious.....Riviere
Polka.....Winn
Overture.....Belair.....Donizetti
Vals.....Thine Agn.....Mozart
Selection.....Nell Gwynne.....Planchette
Paraphrase.....The Light House.....Hutchinson
Gale.....Fitz.....Pant
H. QUINN, Bandmaster.

A *prupee* of the strike of the boat people we hear that a few days since, when the newly appointed French Resident at Hue, M. Lemaire, was passing through Hongkong, the boys at the Hongkong Hotel, where M. Lemaire stayed for a time, refused to wait upon him at table, stating that they had received notice from Kwangtung to the effect that their relations here would either be performed any service whatever for a Frenchman. M. Lemaire had to be put on board the French mail steamer by a Government launch, the crew of the Hotel refusing to take her alongside the mail steamer.

Messrs Douglas Laing & Co. have received by the R. S. *Kunming*, which arrived to-day from Amoy, &c., confirmation of the telegraphic intelligence received by them of the overthrowing of the steamships *Peking* and *Hankow*, by a French officer of Tonkin. The French vessel was the *Chateau Bonnet*, which was at the time stationed just outside Tientsin but has since left and joined the squadron, her place being taken at Tientsin by a gunboat. The *Peking* and *Hankow* were detained by the French officers for about half an hour; the ship's manifest being read and a search made on board for contraband cargo.

The second had accidentally shot by Dr. Poate some days ago, near the village of Ha Tsun in Deep Bay, has since died.

It was agreed when the relatives of the lady came to Hongkong, to settle the amount of compensation to be made, that \$800 should be paid on Dr. Poate being safely delivered in the launch and that \$300 more should be paid on his arrival in Hongkong. The villagers subsequently signed an agreement at Castle Peak to accept \$500 in full settlement, but since they have expressed dissatisfaction with this arrangement and stated they signed, as Dr. Stewart gave his pledge for \$800, the uncle of the deceased have now been brought to Hongkong and the \$800 paid to them.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather, there will be no cricket to-morrow, but on Saturday next, at 11 a.m. (weather permitting), a match will be commenced by *The First Twelve v. The Remainder*.

The names of the Twelve are as follows:—
Mr. V. T. Bunbury, The Buffs (Captain).
Mr. C. S. Barff.
Mr. R. J. Coxon.
Mr. G. G. H. D. A. Smith, The Buffs.
Mr. W. H. F. Darby.
Mr. G. V. Danglish, The Buffs.
Mr. F. S. C. Baro, D.A.C.G.
Mr. J. C. O. Hendry.
Mr. J. C. O. Hendry.
Mr. H. S. D. Jarrett, The Buffs.
Mr. H. G. R. D.A.C.G.
Mr. J. H. O. Wilson.

Mr. H. F. Whyte will be Captain of the *Remainder* of the members of the Club, who have put their names down to play, and everyone is requested to be on the ground punctually at 11 a.m.

By kind permission of the Colonel and Officers of the Buffs, the Regimental Band will play on the ground, during Saturday afternoon. A photograph of the team will be taken at 4.30 p.m.

The strike amongst the boat people still continues, though a few sampans have been plying for hire from Poddor's Wharf, and a few cargo boats, which were engaged by a Chinese contractor, have been working during the day off Wanchai. A large number of boatpeople came across from Yau-mai yesterday afternoon in the ferry launches, and the mass meeting which was to have been held at Mong-Kok-tai last evening does not appear to have come off.

A meeting of the members of the Executive Council was held yesterday afternoon to consider the situation. As far as we can learn, no decisive action was decided upon, beyond a mild appeal to the runaway to come back to their work and they would not be punished.

There are several reasons why the Chinese have not been working the last day or two, in addition to a question of strikes. In the first place a "little typhoon" was apprehended by the natives; in the second place to-day is a festival of some kind, and the Chinese are enjoying a holiday; and probably also the unfavourable weather has not hastened their return to work.

As the Chinese boat-people do not understand correctly the grounds on which several of them were fined the other day, and regard the fine simply as an attempt on the part of the Government to coerce them to work for the French, one or two of the native newspapers are explaining the matter to these people. The Government could make much valuable use of the native newspapers in this way if it were so minded.

A SYDNEY telegraph announces the formation of the Port Darwin Tin Mining Company with a capital of £120,000. This company is formed to work the claims formerly known as the Pioneer. The company's claims, at Mr. Wells.

A LANCER-CORPORAL of the Royal Inniskilling brought into the office of the Inspector General of Police at Singapore on the 10th September a splendid specimen of a live black cobra which he had captured. The snake, which is a smaller breed than the cobra of India, is very poisonous; it measured about 5 feet in length. *Strait Times*.

The following telegrams are taken from the *Rangoon Times*:—
Cape Town, September 5.—Piet Joubert has accepted the presidency of the Boer Republic in Zululand.

London, September 7.—News from Cairo states that the Muder of Dongola has sent boats to Nady, Khafa, where the Muder of Dongola will start immediately for Dongola.

The first instalment of the Nile boats leave Woolwich on Monday, and the rest will follow quickly.

Tux a.s. Natal, from Western Australia, has brought to Singapore 100 fine sheep, 15 splendid milk cows, and 13 heifers, which were to be sold in the Square by Messrs. Powell & Co. All are pictures of health and condition, as might be expected of any cattle coming from the rich Northwest territory. This first shipment is the forerunner of others, which will afford the public what they have long wished for—a supply of fat beef and mutton, and the opportunity of getting good milk cows, and thus procuring unadulterated milk, a rare luxury in Singapore. *Strait Times*.

Tobacco cultivation is, says the *Strait Times*, regarded by some as the hope of British North Borneo, and the amount of interest shown in it is far from inconsiderable. We have been favoured with the prospect of the prospectus of a new company which has just been started with this object, viz. the North Borneo and Banguay Tobacco Cultivation Company. The promoters and shareholders are all connected with the Borneo Administration, though it is quite likely a leading mercantile firm here will take an interest in the concern, as well as a leading Chinese firm in Hongkong. Some of Messrs. Meyerink and Funke's land

will form part of the estate, and the manager will be either Mr. Gibson, who is now engaged with a Chinese cultivation company, or a quondam Deli planter. It is not at all probable, as we are informed, that Mr. Gibson will accept the offer, he being under engagement with his own company.

Police Intelligence.

(Before A. G. Wise, Esq.)
Thursday, Oct. 2.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING.
Ali Sand, a man, who was charged on the 29th ult. with cutting and wounding a woman named Aboe, in a house in Lascar Row on the 27th inst. appeared on remand.

De C. J. Wilby, Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, gave evidence to the effect that complainant, who was admitted to hospital on the 27th September, at 10.45 p.m., was suffering from a punctured wound on the left arm. It was not a dangerous wound.

A grievous conviction for assault was proved against defendant and he was now sentenced to six months' hard labour.

OBTAINING MONEY BY FRAUD.

Yan Ann, a shopman employed at the Chee Sing stationer's shop, was charged with obtaining the sum of \$15.20 by fraudulently altering certain bills. Inspector Grey produced two bills made out against the Hongkong Observatory for making and binding books, in which the figures had been altered in pencil. On a third bill the items were charged far too high.

William Dobrick, the Government Auditor, gave evidence to the effect that he had paid \$24.85 on the first two bills and \$15.45 for the third. He paid the defendant by cheque.

Yan On, the master of the Chee Sing shop, identified the three bills produced as his. The first bill, he said, was altered by Yan Ann, and the second to amount to \$15.20. (These figures had been very clumsily altered in pencil to \$8.80 and \$16.05.)

With regard to the third bill, the prices were not written; the bill ought to have amounted to \$9. Witness had only received \$7.25 for the three bills, leaving a difference of \$15.20.

Defendant admitted receiving the increased amount. He stated that he made a bargain with Mr. Dobrick as to the amount and he agreed to pay the increased amount.

Mr. Dobrick, recalled, stated that he agreed to pay the defendant the amount charged by him, but he would not have agreed to do so had he known that his master had charged less. Defendant said he was the proper amount, as witness paid him. (On the bills \$14.45 is charged for making 1 map book, other being charged \$1.50 and \$2.)

Defendant was sentenced to two months' hard labour for obtaining money under false pretences.

Marine Court.

(Before Capt. H. G. Thomsen, R.N., Harbour Master.)
Thursday, October 2.

REVERSAL OF DEBT.

Albert Williams, Joseph Burgess, Emilio Freer and Peter, the sailors, who were charged by the master, Captain George J. Finlayson, with refusing to do duty on the 1st instant.

The Captain said it was reported to him yesterday morning that the defendants refused to do duty. Since then they had done no work.

Defendants said that they asked for their discharges at Singapore, and that the Captain promised to give them at Hongkong.

Captain Finlayson said he promised to give the men their discharges if they had any reasonable excuse for asking for them. He refused to discharge them.

Defendants stating that they would not return to their duty, and each sentenced to one month's hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, October 2nd, 1884.

Sir,—The boat people have had it their own way for two days now and the question on all sides is what is the Government going to do for us? So far there seems to be no signs of anything being done; meanwhile heavy losses are being sustained by merchants here.

If the native guilds are to be allowed to dictate to us here on British soil it is about time the *Tung-shi* Hospital organization were abolished and the whipping post again set up; depend upon it both measures will be necessary if the Government are to be regarded as a Government.

Twenty-five years experience of the Chinese has taught me, with the exception of western modes of reasoning, and that when they willfully take to be angry the blow must be quick, stern, and decisive; any half measures will be put down to fear. The Government should give notice that after 12 hours have elapsed, if the boat people are not at the Harbour Office as ready to play will have their licenses cancelled, or if there is no ordinance bearing on the subject, the sooner we have one the better. The Government publish a legal tariff for boats, etc., as a matter of fact, the tariff is not a tariff, but a double and treble tax rate and does not compensate for extortion, for fear of having their Hongs laboured by the guild; a fine state of affairs certainly under the flag of the Free. Poor old Lion, thy days are no longer what they once were.

Yours faithfully,

ANTIMISRULE.

FOOCHOW.

(From our Correspondent.)

September 26th, 1884.

The rumour amongst the Chinese here is that owing to the death of Lieutenant Hubard, which was occasioned by them, England has already despatched 40,000 troops to invade China. The consequence of this report is extreme excitement amongst the natives, who are becoming more violent in their threats towards foreigners. I was only to-day rather roughly handled whilst passing in my chair through a public thoroughfare, and almost compelled to use my pocket-handkerchief to wipe my face, without which it is most unseemly to venture out. Fortunately I did not do so, and it is to be avoided as long as possible. Our space community remains but feebly protected.

The U.S. gambol *Munerey* actually did something this morning, namely, placed a small gun in a pinace, probably only for practice, but this very simple act had an astounding effect on the Chinese. If H.

B.M.'s gambol *Zephyr* could only land a small party of marines even occasionally to patrol the settlement, the effect upon the natives here would be immense; whilst the safety of the lives of foreigners would be insured. I do not consider they are safe at the present time, and if anything does take place the cry will be who would have thought it!

The natives are most tame to-day, as news reached here this morning that two junks, whilst loaded with rice and carrying a still more precious cargo in the estimation of the Chinese, namely, a number of pigs, were fired upon by a French gunboat, both vessels receiving considerable damage.

This news, however, is not authenticated, but nevertheless adds to the present excitement amongst the natives, who not only exaggerate, but freely circulate any news received from Peking.

Telegraphic communication is still maintained, and this is a great satisfaction to the community at such a critical period as the present.

The Viceroy having been ordered to Peking has just handed over the seals of his office to the Governor and taken his departure.

North Borneo.

THE CASE OF MESSRS MEYER, INK AND FUNKE.

The *a.s. Borneo*, which arrived at Singapore on the 20th September, brought the following items of news:—

Early in August, a serious shooting affair took place at Banguey Island, about 20 miles from Endak, on the estate of the German Borneo Company, Messrs Meyerink and Funke, the managers of the estate, fired several shots into a kangaroo which some of their coolies were leaving, wounding five men, two of whom shortly afterwards died.

Messrs Meyerink and Funke were arrested and charged with homicide, and held to bail in the sum of \$1,600. News has just arrived to the effect that the two accused have broken their bail and successfully fled the place per the pearling schooner *Sri Prie Soer*.

It is supposed they have gone to Socorro. My account states that the two men were closely watched, but that the master of the schooner completely hoodwinked the authorities. The escapee made a most rapid flight, leaving behind them their private effects and valuables. The bail has been extended and the families of the two men who were killed have been paid \$350, and \$150 has been given to the wounded men. A private letter says there is much indignation among the Chinese because of the escape of these men; the great question being, who is responsible?

A company is being formed to take up the work on Banguey Island so abruptly the broken off by the German Borneo Company. On this, the *North Borneo Herald* of the 1st September says:—

Mr. Meyerink, we understand, has left instructions with Mr. Carman of Kudat to march on temporarily to the affairs of his company here, and it is most gratifying to find that the Chinese coolies have all signified their willingness to return to their work at Banguey under the new management, thus showing that their dissatisfaction was caused solely by the injustice of the Borneo Company, and not by the mismanagement of Messrs Meyerink and Funke, and the German Borneo Company may be congratulated upon the fact that neither of these men can ever return to Borneo to mar the prospects of a most promising undertaking.

Doubtless the Government will take steps to obtain the extradition of the criminals from the authorities of the country in which they may take refuge, and we understand that monetary compensation will be paid to the two men who were wounded, and to the parents of the two men who have died.

The Limbing River (North Borneo) in the neighbourhood of Brunei, is valuable on account of sugar, and a certain kind of soyabean is obtained near it by the Sultan of South Borneo. The last apparent of the Sultanate went up there recently to collect duties; and the people, who are determined to resist taxation, killed two of his messengers. On the 3rd inst., the *Tanungong* went up there in his launch with a small following, and it was agreed on both sides that the headman should meet him and discuss matters. But before the latter reached the place appointed, the natives opened fire on the launch, with rifle and cannon. A cannon shot passed through the fore part of the launch, and the boat was very hot, so much so that 12 or 14 men were reported as killed, with several wounded. A retreat was effected, and the tow of this disaster created quite a panic in Brunei; the inhabitants of a while, and a rumouring lost of the Limbing River men should oppose against the place. Active operations on both sides is reported to be going on. *Strait Times*.

THE "RISERO" CREW.

NARRATIVE BY ONE OF THE SURVIVORS.

The following particulars of the later days of the unfortunate and ill-fated *Risero*, which was wrecked on the shore of the Kumpang Passir River, where with no small degree of pleasure, and relief beyond expression, we found the Hon'ble Mr. Maxwell and Col. Lockhart waiting to receive us. No one who has not gone through privations, sufferings, and continuance of the same, will be able to appreciate the words, "the more force of words, the happiness of our meeting with these British Officers, whom we hailed as our deliverers."

We were left till the boats landed with the ransom money (\$40,000) on board the *Risero*, where we were received most heartily and enthusiastically, three hearty cheers greeting us as we came alongside, and being repeated as we set foot on deck. The vessel was a lying down accommodation of the coast. The Hon'ble Mr. Maxwell, whom we were on board, stayed on shore with the Rajah as hostage or guarantee that nothing was to be done in the way of exacting any penalty or inflicting punishment by any attack for the action of the Rajah with regard to the crew. The Rajah, who was virtually condemned by the acceptance as far as the Rajah's terms. It was only after dark that he was allowed to come on board. Capt. Rickford came on board with the "released" crew so that he might be able to make arrangements for leaving as soon as possible after all was ready. We were treated on board the *Risero*, from the moment we put foot on deck till we were landed here, with a kindness which none of us will ever forget or cease to be the most grateful feelings for all the last days of our lives. The Rajah and Officers, down to the humblest soldier, were on board, all were extremely kind to us. We cannot sufficiently acknowledge the full measure of kindness shown us by every one on board the *Risero*. We kindly know I am sure I speak for every one who was rescued in this manner, for to express our deep gratitude for the noble conduct towards us, after our delivery, by our deliverers. Some of us got on board the vessel without boots or shoes or clothes. All the men are exceedingly well under the circumstances, that is, they are very much improved in country life, such as we have had to undergo. None of

us are broken-spirited; and by the time we get to London we hope to be ourselves again. The only regret we have is that a total of 25 of those who were rescued have died, whose names we have been publishing. Capt. Weddhouse was released under circumstances which have long been before the public. The Second Engineer and the Chief Cook got away. *Frederick Goodale*.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

AT 4 P.M.—OCTOBER 1.

Station.	Barometer reduced to sea level.	Thermometer.	Wind.	State of sky.	Remarks.
Manila.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
Batavia.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
Hongkong.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
Amoy.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
Shanghai.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
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At 10 a.m.—October 2.					
Manila.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
Batavia.	29.85	70.84	ESE	1	c.
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The barometer has risen in Wanchow but has fallen slightly elsewhere.

W. F. DOUGLAS.

Government Meteorologist.

Hongkong, October 2, 1884.

1. BAROMETRIC, reduced to sea level, Fahrenheit, at the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. THERMOMETRIC, in the shade in degrees, tenths, Fahrenheit.

3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4. DIRECTION OF WIND, in two points.

5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort's Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, in five classes, detached clouds, a drizzling rain, fog, a glow, hail, lightning, a overcast, a passing shower, a squally, a snow, a thunder, a visibility.

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